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Draft minutes of the Environmental Quality Affairs Committee held at the City of Newport Beach Police Department Auditorium, 870 Santa Barbara Drive, on **Monday, April 21, 2008.**

Members Present:

E	Nancy Gardner, Council Member	X	Sandra Haskell
X	Michael Henn, Council Member	Е	Barry Allen
X	Bruce Asper		Kristine Adams
X	Dolores Otting, Vice Chair		Susan Knox
X	Kimberly Jameson	Χ	Arlene Greer
		Χ	Timothy Stoaks
			Jennifer Winn
X	Laura Dietz	Χ	Ray Halowski
X	Kenneth Drellishak, Chair	Χ	Barbara Thibault
	Laura Curran		Merritt Van Sant
X	Michael Smith	Χ	Robert Rush
X	Michael Pascale		

Staff Representatives:

Χ	Ass't City Mgr. Sharon Wood	Kevin Kelly
		Philip Bettencourt

Guests:

Chairperson Ken Drellishak called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. He introduced Kevin Kelly, whose appointment to the Committee will be considered by the City Council on April 22, 2008.

1. Minutes of March 17, 2008

Ray Halowski moved to approve the minutes. Arlene Greer seconded the motion.

Motion passed unanimously

2. Report on Task Force on Green Development

Sharon Wood reported that the City Council had established this task force on April 8, 2008, and would be appointing members on April 22, 2008. Recommended members are Council member Gardner, chair, Bruce Asper, Arlene Greer and Kevin Kelly from EQAC, and Planning Commissioner Michael Toerge, Brion Jeannette and Todd Schooler from the General Plan/LCP Implementation Committee. The Committee requested that a standing report from the Task Force be added to future EQAC agendas.

3. Discussion of EQAC Mission, recommendations to City Council on changes to Resolution establishing EQAC

The Committee discussed draft changes to the Resolution. Ray Halowski moved and Dolores Otting seconded that EQAC recommend City Council approval of the revised Resolution, as amended by EQAC.

Motion passed unanimously

4. Report on other cities' approaches to polystyrene food packaging ban, and consideration of recommendation to City Council

Robert Rush summarized information that he had collected from other cities. Committee discussion followed. Chairperson Drellishak volunteered to prepare a draft memorandum from EQAC to the City Council, outlining the issues and recommending either incentives or a ban on polystyrene, for consideration at the meeting of May 19.

5. Coastal/Bay Water Quality Committee Representative's Report

Council member Henn reported that the Water Quality Master Plan is in progress, and it will set priorities for approximately \$100 million of projects.

6. Report from Staff on Current Projects

Sharon Wood reported that a revised Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Aerie project is expected to be released on May 2, and it will be available online.

7. Public Comments

Chairperson Drellishak reported that the City has hired a consultant and is beginning a parking management study of older commercial areas, starting with Corona del Mar. This study was recommended by the Economic Development Committee.

- 8. Future Agenda Items
- 9. Adjournment

Chair Drellishak adjourned the meeting at 8:55 p.m.